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MARGINAL COLUMN
By NISSEIM BENJAN

STARTING at our typewriter, I tried to formulate an estimate of the Lebanese situation following the formation of a new Cabinet in Beirut, the thought came to us that the text of the constitution of the Federated Arab States announced last Wednesday made interesting reading and would merit treatment. Following the same train of thought it transpired, however, that last week's developments in the Arab world included other good topics for a column: the setting-up of a Legislative Assembly in Gaza and the Mayor's interesting suggestion that the term "refugees" be discarded and that refugees be henceforward called "repatriates".

THE main danger facing today's observers of the Middle East scene is, of course, that of losing sight of the wood for the multitude of trees. It is not a question of mere knowledge, but one of intelligibility. For some time now it has been apparent that only fools and fanatics can express final views and verdicts on what is really going on. Even and intelligent minds have not been lacking, but whenever they tried to pinpoint the situation or even worse, to formulate a programme of action, the results have been uniformly disastrous for themselves. Like the Medusa, the subject has turned those who dared look it straight in the face into rigid and stony postures. Two new books, slight in every way except in the extent of their authors' folly, about the same time, both seem equally committed to the defence of British interests in the area, and both take an equally over-simplified view of the present-day Middle East. What is interesting about their books, however, is that they emerge with two diametrically opposed estimates of the situation, with no less contradictory programmes of action for the future. Mr. Nutting, for example, finds hope in the Baghdad Pact, is encouraged by Saudi's anti-Nasser turn, and admires King Hussein for his firmness against the Nasserists.

MR. Johnson is Assistant Editor of the "New Statesman," in which most of the material on which his book is based was published last summer. Mr. Nutting, former Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, resigned in protest following the Anglo-French action in Suez, and was soon to be appointed by the "New York Herald Tribune" as its roving correspondent in the Middle East. Both authors "saw for themselves" about the same time, both seem equally committed to the defence of British interests in the area, and both take an equally over-simplified view of the present-day Middle East. What is interesting about their books, however, is that they emerge with two diametrically opposed estimates of the situation, with no less contradictory programmes of action for the future. Mr. Nutting, for example, finds hope in the Baghdad Pact, is encouraged by Saudi's anti-Nasser turn, and admires King Hussein for his firmness against the Nasserists.

MR. Johnson, however, has nothing but scorn for practically everybody except Colonel Nasser and his version of Arab nationalism. ("In one of the less disagreeable suburbs of Baghdad stands a small, two-story building known as Beit Baghdad... It is the supreme headquarters of the Baghdad Pact, and the only physical evidence of the Pact's existence." Hussein "looks like a Mexican barber who has just married the Saudi's daughter." One of Saudi's failings is that he has a weak bladder, etc.) Yet Mr. Johnson has the saving grace of being consistent in his wrong-headedness which, incidentally, is in the "New Statesman's" best tradition. He is all for light and progress and against the feudal and corrupt regimes of the king; and, logically enough, his programme amounts to nothing more than that Britain's coming Labour Government should provide all-out support for the Arab nationalists of the Nasser variety.

MR. Nutting lacks Mr. Johnson's consistency. He is rather credulous, almost naive, about the Baghdad Pact. King Saudi's real intentions and the extent of Hussein's concern for Western interests. But consider this estimate of French policy in Algeria: "M. Lacoste, of course, does not want a settlement. For one thing it would lose him a job, and there are few who have been spared among the violent tendencies of French politics who would give up a government post before it gave them up." Mr. Nutting then proceeds to outline a policy for (a presumably Conservative) Britain. Britain, he suggests in effect, should patronize, not anything so restricted as Arab unity, but an all-embracing Islamic unity extending from Casablanca to Karachi!

Russia Unwilling To Defer Summit Talks

MOSCOW, Saturday (UPI). — The Foreign Ministry today denied reports that Russia was willing to postpone its projected date for a summit conference.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman said Russia was still standing by its suggestion of a Foreign Ministers' conference in April and the full "summit" meeting in June. The Foreign Ministry issued the statement to refute reports that Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko had said the Soviet Union was willing to consider a postponement. According to the reports, Mr. Gromyko made the statement in the course of conversation with diplomats at a German Embassy reception last night.

The Foreign Ministry spokesman dismissed the reports as "pure fiction." He formally denied that Mr. Gromyko had made such a statement.

Next Western Move
Both Britain and the U.S. are now engaged in a restudy of the disarmament problem, the widely accepted as the most

Two New Soviet Nuclear Tests Detected by U.S.

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuters). — The Atomic Energy Commission announced last night that it had detected two new Soviet nuclear weapons tests, one on Thursday and one yesterday.

The AEC announcement said: "The first occurred on Thursday at the usual Siberian testing grounds, and the second yesterday north of the Arctic Circle. The energy yield of the former was small and of the second in a larger range."

The AEC has now reported 24 Russian tests, but it has said it does not announce all those it detects. The Soviets have been conducting tests in both Siberia and the Arctic for about a month. An explosion of a hydrogen bomb in the Siberian Arctic was reported by Japanese scientists on February 24.

N.Y. Demonstration Against J'lem Pool

By JESSE ZEIL LURIE, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK, Saturday. — In the worst snow storm of the season, a dozen bearded young followers of the Satmar Rebbe, who go under the name of the "Committee of Religious Freedom for Israel," demonstrated for 20 minutes yesterday outside the Israel Consulate, against the building of a swimming pool for mixed bathing in Jerusalem.

A mass demonstration scheduled for tomorrow afternoon will be held indoors at the Manhattan Centre because the Satmar followers could not arouse enough interest for an outdoor demonstration. Leaflets are being distributed showing a faded photo of a Jerusalem policeman clubbing a religious demonstrator. The policeman wears a Magen David armband with a swastika inside. (See 12 Held — Page 3)

SUEZ BEING DEEPENED FOR SUPER TANKERS

CAIRO, Saturday (Reuters). — A "Nasser plan" to widen and deepen the Suez Canal to allow the transit of super tankers has already started, with over 2,000 men working at three points south of Port Said, reports reaching Cairo said today.



What she is missing for the Holidays

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Hammaraskjold Leaves for Visit To Moscow

NEW YORK, Saturday (Reuters). — Mr. Dag Hammarskjold, the U.N. Secretary-General, left late last night for Moscow on what he described as a "regular working visit."

Prior to departing, he told reporters he would be discussing with the Soviet leaders current issues before the U.N., such as disarmament and the Middle East. Observers believe the disarmament issue is expected to figure largely in the talks, and that other topics will include Hungary.

Labouisse, UNRWA Chief, Coming Here

Mr. Henri Labouisse, the Director of the U.N. Relief Works Administration for Arab refugees, will visit Israel on Wednesday for the first time. He was named UNRWA Director in 1954.

Mr. Labouisse, who was invited by the Government, will be accompanied by his wife, and by his adviser, Mr. J. T. Lalit, and his wife. They will cross the lines at Rosh Hanikra, and will remain until Saturday.

It is probable that during his visit Mr. Labouisse will meet Prime Minister Ben-Gurion.



Michael Todd and his wife, Elizabeth Taylor, photographed at the London premiere last July of his film, "Round the World in 80 Days."

Mike Todd Killed in Air Crash

HOLLYWOOD, Saturday (UPI). — Millionaire showman Mike Todd, 38, was killed today when his private plane plunged into wild mountainous terrain in New Mexico. Todd was born in Minneapolis, the son of Polish immigrants, but his exact birth date is unknown because the midwife forgot to put the date on the birth certificate. He was born Avrom Hirsch Goldberg.

Mike Todd was best known as the producer of the motion picture version of "Porgy and Bess." He was married to Elizabeth Taylor in February last year in Mexico City. Miss Taylor, then 24, had been twice married as had Todd.

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BEST FOR WASHING FINE FABRICS

New U.S. Satellite Bid This Week

CAPE CANAVERAL, Florida, Saturday (Reuters). — The next launching of a United States Army Jupiter missile has been tentatively scheduled for next week, reports have been told at the missile test centre here.

Israel Meteor Makes Forced Landing

PARIS, Saturday. — An Israeli Gloster Meteor aircraft coming from London forced-landed near Chartres today and was slightly damaged. Its two occupants were unhurt.

Two other Israeli Glosters on the same flight made normal landings at Chartres and recently sent there to be repaired.

URRUTIA HERE ON SATURDAY

Mr. Francisco Urrutia, special representative of the U.N. Secretary-General, will arrive in Jerusalem this coming Saturday, it was learned in Jerusalem last night. He plans to stay two weeks and will be working out details for implementing the agreement on Mt. Scopus which he arrived at between Israel and Jordan in January.

Mrs. Meir: 'M.E. Now A Hunting Ground'

LAGOS, Saturday (Reuters). — Mrs. Golda Meir, Israeli Foreign Minister, told a Press conference in Lagos that the Middle East had become the "hunting ground" for "Frenchie" much bigger than Israel or the Arab countries.

She said this was not to the benefit of either the Arabs or the Israelis "who would starve rather than become the tool of either the East or West." Political independence had little meaning without economic independence, she said. Israel's greatest asset was her people, she added. "We are fortunate to have a people who find dignity in working conscientiously and doing a job which the country needs."

Mrs. Meir said her visit to Nigeria was to bring friendship and receive friendship. You have very similar problems to those we ourselves had to answer. We believe we have the benefit of our experience to offer.

She said Israel had a few technicians in specialized fields who might be able to assist Nigeria, but the initiative must come from the Nigerian Government.

GOLF WEEKEND FOR IKE

AUGUSTA, Georgia, Saturday (UPI). — President Eisenhower arrived here today aboard the Presidential plane, Columbine III, for a weekend of golf and rest at the Augusta National Golf Club.

Gov't to Discuss Radio Journal, Identity Cards

Two problems involving inter-party relations within the coalition are due to be considered by the Cabinet at its regular session today.

One concerns the decision of the Minister of the Interior, Mr. Y. Bar Yehuda, to issue new identity cards in which holders who state that they are Jews will be afforded this status officially—as in the past—regardless of any reservations made by the religious authorities. The Ministerial members are opposing this, but it is understood that the Prime Minister is strongly in favor of the principle and is likely to support it wholeheartedly.

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General Council Budget Debate Centres on Immigration Quota

By MOSHE LEVIN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

An indication of what may be expected in today's full day of debate in the Zionist General Council on the Jewish Agency's draft budget was heard on Friday when a call was made to revert to transit camps for newcomers to Israel.

The appeal was voiced by Mr. Yitzhak Rabin, M.K. (National Religious), who opened the budget discussion. In an impassioned address, he asked why, if the overall estimates were being cut by five per cent, immigration was being cut by 80 per cent. Agency Executive members interrupting from the floor hurried to explain that 20 per cent of the budget was destined for repayment of debts, and besides, the 80 per cent reduction in immigration was incorrect.

Dr. Dov Joseph, the Treasurer, had said on Thursday night that while \$6,000 immigrants might be expected during the current year (71,000 in 1957), a minimum of 24,000 were being budgeted for. The Executive, concerned lest the reduced number of immigrants for this year might cause misunderstanding abroad, issued an urgent statement on Friday reaffirming Dr. Joseph's statement that all Jews permitted and wishing to come from countries in Eastern Europe and from countries of distress would be accepted.

First Indonesian Rebel Bombers Raid Bandung

Indonesian rebel aircraft, flying from Manado in North Celebes, have bombed Bandung in West Java. Padang Radio announced yesterday. It said two planes carried out the attack and damaged the airfield at the summer capital of the Central Government.

U.S., Formosa Deny Arms Given

The planes were based in North Celebes, stronghold of Col. Sumal, who apparently is throwing his full strength behind the Sumatran revolt. The bombers flew 125 miles from Manado to Bandung, and were believed to have flown on to Sumatra and landed there.

5 Leading EOKA Members Arrested

NICOSIA, Saturday (Reuters). — Five prominent members of EOKA, the Cypriot Greek underground movement, were reported to have been captured today.

EOKA last night ordered a 24-hour general strike next Tuesday, the anniversary of Greek Independence Day.

British troops were stoned by Cypriot schoolchildren in Ayios Ambrosios village in north Cyprus yesterday. An official statement said the children were demonstrating for EOKA and Archbishop Makarios and shouting slogans. A number of boys were arrested.

Cypriot Escorted Aboard a.s. Aliyah

NICOSIA, Saturday (Reuters). — Strict security measures were enforced here yesterday as a Cypriot Greek passenger boarded the Israeli ship Aliyah, which is going to Britain via Marseilles.

On the passenger list the Cypriot's name appeared as "Andreas Ashiotis" but it was reported that his real identity was Michael Ashiotis, an EOKA man who defected to the security forces last October and has been under police protection since.

There was no immediate official comment on these reports. The authorities alleged that after Ashiotis gave himself up by walking into a British Army post in the south-west Cyprus mountains, he gave them a list of 200 Cypriots who were on EOKA's murder list.

Harbour sources said he was escorted aboard the ship yesterday by a police superintendent, who was also escorting another Cypriot youth, Charalios Agapiou, also believed to have been under police protection.

45 Die in Unusual U.S. Snow Storm

Forty-five persons died in a snow storm which swept the middle Atlantic and New England states of the U.S. during the previous 48 hours, Reuters reported yesterday.

Snow and freezing temperatures marked the first day of spring on Friday in many parts of Europe. Snow fell in France, Germany, Italy, Austria, Belgium, and Czechoslovakia. Ice hampered traffic in East Germany.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Mr. Winston Churchill has a "mild recurrence of his old illness," his physician, Dr. David Roberts, told Reuters yesterday at Requebrune, Cap Martin.

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Social & Personal

The President on Friday received Mr. Leo M. Berman, who was accompanied by Prof. Y. Talmon.

The Prime Minister and Mrs. David Ben-Gurion on Thursday received at the Prime Minister's Office, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Strickland and Mrs. Bessie Greenbaum. The Stricklands were accompanied by Mr. Leo M. Berman. Mrs. Berman left Israel on Friday.

The American Consul in Haifa, Mr. F. Mangano, was received yesterday in Haifa by Mayor E. Zamer.

Mr. Alexander and Lady Knox-Helm, Mr. and Mrs. M. Steff and Mr. and Mrs. M. Steff, who were in Haifa for the performance of the "Barber of Seville" last night at the Maimonides.

Mr. Bel Grouss, Chairman of the Canadian United Jewish Appeal, Prof. and Mrs. Valentin and Mr. and Mrs. Y. Rabinovitch, who were in Haifa for the performance of the "Barber of Seville" last night at the Maimonides.

Mr. A. Zetti, Director of Labor Relations, Munich, and Mrs. Zetti, have arrived in Israel for a short business visit.

"Metabolism of the Steroid Hormones" is the subject of a one-day symposium under the auspices of the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School starting at 9:30 this morning in the Lecture Hall in the Medical School. The participants will include Dr. Gregory Pines and Dr. Ralph Z. Durrant, respectively Research Director and Director of Laboratories at the Worcester Foundation in the U.S.

Prof. Kurt Sitt, of the Technion, will lecture on "But of human nature..." (Art, Science and Ideas) tomorrow (Monday) at 8:30 p.m. in the Lecture Hall in the Medical School.

The public is invited.

U.S. Company Suing Koor for \$125,000

HAIFA, Saturday. — The National Pipe and Steel Company Inc. of Los Angeles is suing the Koor affiliated Middle East Trading Company for \$125,000 damages for supplying it a rust-bitten and deficient 250-ton shipment of steel pipes a year ago.

The lawsuit is also against the Zim Navigation Company which shipped the pipes, the claimants say, knowing their unsuitability for use in the construction of a Dutch insurance company and the General Superintendent Co. (Israel) Ltd. which certified the goods as meeting the requirements of the buyers. After the arrival of the pipes in California, the buyers cancelled a \$150,000 contract, order placed with the Middle East Tube Co.

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Junior Communities To Meet in Capital

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The world convention of the International Federation of Jewish Children's Communities is to open in Jerusalem on March 31.

It will be attended by 30 representatives from France, Belgium, Switzerland, England, Austria, Holland, West Germany, Japan, Ghana, Tunisia, and other countries. It was announced recently by Dr. Israel Margalit, Deputy Director of Youth Affairs and executive member of the Federation, at a meeting of the Federation's Israel branch.

WJC Seeks Forced Labour Victims

Persons who worked in Nazi forced labour camps for large German firms are being sought by the World Jewish Congress with a view to submitting claims for reparation from the German Government. A special committee has been set up in the U.S. The German firms concerned are: AEG, Hiltl, Heinkel, Holzmann, Krupp, Moell, Schenck, Siemens, and others.

Any persons who were in forced labour for the above concerns should immediately contact, in person or in writing, the World Jewish Congress, 24 Rehov Mitrach, Tel Aviv, or P.O.B. 1473, Tel Aviv.

Report Urges Engineers Be Liable for Faulty Building

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Supervisory building engineers ought to be as liable in law for damage resulting from faulty construction as the contractors are. This is the main recommendation of a committee set up by the Ministry of Interior to probe the causes of a newly-built staircase in Jerusalem at the end of January.

The committee, which was appointed on February 3 and submitted its report to the Minister on Friday, laid the blame at the door of almost all concerned: the Municipality, for not maintaining control over the progress of construction; the engineer, for failing to notice serious defects which should have been detected during his regular inspections; the contractor, for failing to possess adequate basic technical knowledge, although he had been responsible for many previous building jobs; and the workers, who, although in the top grade, lacked a proper technical understanding of their job.

The staircase, to a story being added to the Oran-Yehuda House in Rehov Yehuda, collapsed when the scaffolding was removed. There were no casualties.

Jerusalemite, 32, Must Serve Army Term

The High Court on Friday rejected the request of a 32-year-old Jerusalemite to be released from regular military service on claims of being "over-age."

The applicant, Mr. David Kokia, had left this country for England several months prior to the establishment of the State and resided there until 1954. Due to his residence abroad he did not register for military service in 1950 as required by law, and following his return received a medical deferment. His counsel claimed that the Army authorities were not entitled to demand his conscription now that he is a 32-year-old man to which he belonged only by law during the two years following the adoption of the law in 1949.

The High Court rejected this claim, and ruled that the applicant was liable to call-up for regular military service which he had evaded at the time by his absence abroad. (Him.)

3 Diesel Locomotives Due from U.S. in May

HAIFA, Saturday. — Three new diesel locomotives, made by General Motors, are due here in the 24th April early next month. They were loaded in the ship in New York this week.

An Israeli Railways spokesman said that the engines, each weighing 85 tons and having 1,500 h.p., would go into service in May with the new summer time-table.

Where to go

• **Entertainment** — Italian restaurant, Lunch, Dinner, Luby's Bar-restaurant, 3 Almya Rd., First class Italian menu at \$1.50.

• **Exhibitions** — Yehuda Simon, Oil and Graphics, Paintings by Yehuda Simon, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23, 24-25, 26-27, 28-29, 30-31, 32-33, 34-35, 36-37, 38-39, 40-41, 42-43, 44-45, 46-47, 48-49, 50-51, 52-53, 54-55, 56-57, 58-59, 60-61, 62-63, 64-65, 66-67, 68-69, 70-71, 72-73, 74-75, 76-77, 78-79, 80-81, 82-83, 84-85, 86-87, 88-89, 90-91, 92-93, 94-95, 96-97, 98-99, 100-101, 102-103, 104-105, 106-107, 108-109, 110-111, 112-113, 114-115, 116-117, 118-119, 120-121, 122-123, 124-125, 126-127, 128-129, 130-131, 132-133, 134-135, 136-137, 138-139, 140-141, 142-143, 144-145, 146-147, 148-149, 150-151, 152-153, 154-155, 156-157, 158-159, 160-161, 162-163, 164-165, 166-167, 168-169, 170-171, 172-173, 174-175, 176-177, 178-179, 180-181, 182-183, 184-185, 186-187, 188-189, 190-191, 192-193, 194-195, 196-197, 198-199, 200-201, 202-203, 204-205, 206-207, 208-209, 210-211, 212-213, 214-215, 216-217, 218-219, 220-221, 222-223, 224-225, 226-227, 228-229, 230-231, 232-233, 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Herut Agrees To Drop Fund Drives

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An agreement is understood to have been reached between the Herut Party and the Jewish Agency and the Jewish National Fund (JNF) to drop fund drives for the movement recently. The money is supposed to be used for constructive and not political purposes.
Herut will receive \$200,000 in JNF funds this year and a one-time payment of \$50,000, the latter in lieu of a campaign conducted by the movement recently. The money is supposed to be used for constructive and not political purposes.
Herut had asked for considerably more than the amount they are receiving. It is said that they agreed to the \$200,000 figure because of the poor fund-raising prospects in the U.S. and because the JNF had been recently successful in raising a similar sum, but had warned that it would carry out its own fund-raising drives unless the amount was raised considerably.

Gaza Infiltrators Steal, Lose Horse

DEBESHABA, Saturday. — Infiltrators from the Gaza Strip on Friday night stole a horse from a Jewish farm near the border. The horse was found dead in the morning, and the infiltrators were seen leading it across the border.

K-F Comes to Terms On Ashkelon Plant

ASHKELOH, Saturday. — A deal has been struck between the Kfar Yehoshua and the Ashkelon plant. The deal involves the construction of a new plant and the relocation of the existing one.

Flies Here To Give Chair Away

Mrs. Pearl Slotnick, of Brighton First Street, Brooklyn, is expected to arrive here today. She is bringing a chair with her, which she plans to give away.

Immigration

(Continued from Page One)
The Immigration Department is expected to announce new regulations regarding the entry of immigrants into the country.

Bar-Yehuda Sees Lebanon on Budget

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Mr. Bar-Yehuda, Minister of Finance, is expected to present a budget for the coming year. The budget is expected to include provisions for the development of the country.

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Pyjama Factory Goes Up in Flames

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Three fires were reported from the Tel Aviv area over the weekend. One of the fires was at a pyjama factory, which was completely destroyed.

12 Natorel Karta Held For Thursday's Rally

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Twelve Natorel Karta activists were held in custody for 10 days last night, in connection with a rally held on Thursday. The activists were charged with扰乱 public order.

No Damage Caused In Cinema Basement Fire

HAIFA, Saturday. — A large crowd watched thick clouds of smoke issuing from the basement of the Alton Cinema on Friday night. The fire was caused by a short circuit, and no damage was caused.

Beacon For Eilat

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — A powerful revolving beacon, flashing green and white every five seconds and visible for 40 km, has been mounted on the roof of the Eilat Hotel. The beacon is intended to guide ships in the area.

Barkat Leaves For Asian Socialist Meet

LYDDA AIRPORT, Saturday. — Mr. Reuven Barkat, Head of the Histadrut Political Department, left yesterday for a meeting of the Asian Socialist Conference. The meeting is being held in London.

Treasury Balks At Cinema Tax Relief

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The Ministry of Finance is expected to balk at a proposal to grant tax relief to the cinema industry. The proposal is being opposed by the Treasury.

Last Dispatch of Personal Compensation Claims to Germany

The Ministry of Finance hereby announces that all Compensation Claims which must reach the Compensation Office in Germany by April 1, 1958, should be handed in to Post Offices for dispatch by Air Mail not later than TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 1958.

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JLEH NAPOEL HOLD PETAN TIKVA, 2-2, IN CAPITAL

Jerusalem Post Staff
Jerusalem Hapoel shared two points with top-liners Petan Tikva Hapoel in a National League match, when they drew 2-2, after the visitors had led 1-0 at half-time on the Jerusalem stadium ground in the German Colony yesterday.

Yugoslav, Hun arian Footballers Due

HAIFA, Saturday. — The Sports Club of Yugoslavia and the Sports Club of Hungary will play football matches in Haifa on Sunday. The matches are part of a tour by the teams.

350,000 PAY INCOME TAX

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA, Saturday. — Half a million persons are registered with the income tax authority, of whom 350,000 actually pay tax. These do not include persons who are exempt from tax.

NATIONAL LEAGUE TABLE

Team	GP	W	D	L	PTS
Tel Aviv Hapoel	13	10	2	1	22
Beitar Jerusalem	13	9	3	1	21
Beitar Haifa	13	8	4	1	20
Beitar Tel Aviv	13	7	5	1	19
Beitar Haifa	13	6	6	1	18
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Unionists Retain Power in N. Ireland

BELFAST (Northern Ireland), Saturday (Reuters). — Lord Brookeborough's Unionist Government has won a majority of 20 when counting at last night in the Northern Ireland general election. The Unionists have retained power in the region.

Marshall Join For Israel Banquet

PARIS, Saturday. — Marshal Juin will be the principal speaker at a Paris banquet on April 20 celebrating Israel's Tenth Anniversary. The banquet is being held at the Grand Hotel.

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Cables in Brief

HAIFA. — An Israeli boy in Charlotte, North Carolina, has found three Red Cross letters. The letters were found in a box of books.

Seamen's Union to Act To Stop Smuggling

HAIFA, Saturday. — The Council of the Seamen's Union has decided to act to stop smuggling. The union is concerned that smuggling is a major problem in the port.

PERFUMES GLOVES

HAIFA, Saturday. — A new perfume and glove store has opened in Haifa. The store is selling a wide variety of perfumes and gloves.

FREDDY

HAIFA, Saturday. — A new film, 'Freddy', is being shown in Haifa. The film is a comedy and is expected to be popular.

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THE Manufacturers' Association has taken the unprecedented step of advising its members to refrain from or **SELECTIVE** dering raw materials—**SQUEEZE** road, as a means of protesting against the new credit conditions introduced for imports. A minimum cash deposit of 35 per cent was recently prescribed for all letters of credit—instead of the previous 15 per cent—and the special terms for orders from Reparations sources were cancelled.

The manufacturers' spokesmen estimate that the combined result of these measures will be the need for additional liquid funds amounting to at least IL10-15m. at a time when industry is complaining about the shortage of working capital and when ILm. have been allocated in the next Development Budget for the specific purpose of aiding industry in this respect (half of this sum has been earmarked for financing exports). For several industries—such as plastics, rayon and rubber goods—the situation has been further aggravated by the recent considerable increase in customs duties on raw materials, which has had the additional effect of reducing the margins, even though manufacturers have been able to cover themselves partially by raising prices. The textile industry, moreover, is faced with an increase in purchase tax, particularly for woollen yarn, and to top it all, a measure to prolong the emergency regulations controlling profits has been tabled in the Knesset, and can easily be misrepresented as forbidding a deliberate onslaught on business profits as such.

Relations between the Administration and the business community have been strained because the squeeze now applied to the import trade and to industry is indeed intended to reduce demand for imported commodities in order to save foreign currency, and thereby to create the preconditions for the liberalization of control of imports. Stiffer credit terms are likely to discourage speculative purchases and even result in some reduction of stocks. Higher customs duties imposed upon materials for which foreign currency is allocated at the official rate of exchange are intended to skim off the profits accruing due to their preferential position in relation to raw materials paid for by "pamam" funds. Higher costs and prices may lead to sales resistance on the home market, while shortage of cash may even prompt producers to turn to exports or to expand their sales abroad. The new measures are thus dovetailed with a general economic policy that is bound to produce some strains and hardships, but is obviously aimed at reasonable objectives, and should not be sabotaged by obstruction.

However, in carrying out this policy, the Administration seems to have committed some blunders. Contact between the authorities and the industries affected—even between the various Government departments concerned—has been faulty. No attempt has been made to explain the new "tough" line of approach to the general public. Nor—most important—has the public been informed whether it is intended to apply this approach to other fields in addition to imports.

Is the Government going to attack the purchasing power of our economy in general? In that case, something should be done in respect of personal incomes and consumer spending as well. Or is the squeeze to be applied in a selective manner? In that case charges of discrimination cannot be avoided, and the effects can only be limited. In fact, it is even doubtful whether limited disinflationary effects can be achieved as long as the general economic climate in this country remains as it is.

Sabbath War in New York

Agudat Yisrael Fights for 'Sunday Opening'

By JESSE EEL LURIE

JEWISH religious elements led by the Agudat Yisrael have been in the forefront of a lengthy campaign to relax the Sabbath observance laws in New York City—the Sabbath here, of course, being Sunday. (There is no doubt that if the same proposals were made to the Jerusalem municipality, the Agudat Yisrael would be in the forefront of the opposition.)

On this side of the ocean, the Orthodox Jews have won the first round in the City Council. But in so doing they have aroused the ire of the Roman Catholic Church, which might be called the orthodox section of the Christian world. The change needs the approval of the State Legislature in Albany before it can become law.

The change, which is favoured by Jewish groups of all persuasions and by the Seventh-Day Adventists, would allow Jewish business men who close their establishments on Saturdays to remain open on Sunday. The Jewish groups argued that observant Jews whose businesses were closed two days a week were placed at an economic disadvantage in relation to their competitors. It was also said that under the constitutional guarantee of religious freedom, a citizen ought to have a right to choose which day to observe as his Sabbath.

In actual practice, the Sunday closing law has not been strictly observed in Jewish neighbourhoods. As long as no one complained, and as long as the police precinct was empty, the law was not enforced. But as soon as a complaint came in, the police took no action against Sabbath violators. But as soon as a complaint came in, the police took no action against Sabbath violators.

When complaints were made, the complainant usually was the Kasher Butchers Union. The Kasher Butchers have a contract with their employers calling for a five-day week. They feared that any relaxation of the Sunday closing law would affect their five-day week. So they have in the past patrolled Jewish neighbourhoods on Sunday to make sure that no meat markets were illegally open, and their representatives appeared before the New York City Council to

oppose any change in the law—the only Jewish group to take this stand.

The Agudat Yisrael, which though it may not have been the most influential Jewish group favouring the change, certainly made the most noise, issued a blast against the Kasher Butchers. They asked all observant Jews to become vegetarians for one month and thus hit back against those betrayers of the Jewish cause.

Yeshiva Students
 The Agudat Yisrael also led a demonstration of 800 Yeshiva students and other plain-chanting bearded men outside City Hall this month. Mayor Robert Wagner tried to get the demonstration called off, promising to bring the matter to a vote in a few days and stating that he favoured the measure despite the opposition of the Catholic Church of which he is a member.

The Agudat Yisrael refused to call off the demonstration, but Mayor Wagner did bring the matter to a vote. It was passed by 14 to seven, with only the Catholics voting against it; it now goes to the State Legislature.

After its passage by the City Council, the Catholics brought up their heavy weapons with a public statement by Cardinal Spellman, head of the New York Diocese, Cardinal Spellman said that

this breach in the Sabbath observance wall could easily be turned into a flood. He implied that to maintain a competitive position many businesses would operate seven days a week by allowing their Jewish employees to play home on Saturday.

The Jews who represent about a third of the population of New York City, are represented in about the same proportion in the City Council, but in the State Legislature, the Jews are a small minority and there are a goodly number of Catholics. (It would appear that there is no more chance of a relaxed Sabbath observance law being approved in Albany than in Jerusalem.)

In neighbouring New Jersey, there is no state-wide Sabbath law. In recent years large supermarkets and department stores have sprung up outside of cities and do a heavy business on Sundays when families customarily go out for a drive. A proposal for a Sunday observance law is now before the New Jersey State Legislature. It is backed by the Catholics and was opposed at committee hearings this week by representatives of the American Jewish Congress, the Seventh Day Baptists and the Sunday Day Adventists. The three voiced their opposition to Sunday legislation as being "un-American and unconstitutional."

Bar Ilan University
 Hamaadia (World Agudat) points out that the Hapoel Hamizrabi has for once to the that it can stand up to the other half of the Jewish people and have its demands honored. The reference is to a government allocation for the Bar Ilan University which was denied at first but granted when the Religious Party representative threatened to vote against the coalition directorate. That threat, concludes Hamaadia, why hasn't the party stood up for other important issues? Or is the party's support for the coalition directorate the most important?

Al Hamaadia (Mamam) does not think that the manufacturers are right in threatening to stop importing because the Government has issued payment regulations. Instead of rising in rebellion, these manufacturers should do a very opposite—help alleviate the shortage of foreign currency which is the reason for the regulation by doing their best to conserve foreign exchange. On the other hand the Treasury should be warned against imposing levies on the import of industrial raw materials, which may hit export, and bring about the opposite of the intended result.

strained; only in the Sibelius did he fall back into modulations that reminded us of Mr. Chibichich.

To my knowledge, this was the first time Hadassah Etzion, the young Jerusalem cellist, appeared as soloist with an orchestra. Apart from some understandable nervousness she acquitted herself of it admirably, playing with a small but noble tone, fluent technique and a musicality which guarantees promising progress.

The Haydn Symphony is still beyond the scope of the orchestra in its present state and the performance could not convey the beauty and humour. Haydn's famous hint designed to induce his patron to grant leave to the musicians, did not come through at all. Instead of walking off after finishing their farewells, the players remained glued to their seats and listened intently as the last violins murdered the piece to the bitter end.

With all due respect to academic practice, there must be some instrumentalists in the orchestra who are better equipped to lead the string section than the present occupants of the first desk. Everything should be done to develop the potentialities of the group, for it seems to have enough virtuosity, as shown particularly by its performance



MUSICAL DIARY

"The Exodus from Egypt"—Electronic Ballet by Yosef Tal, presented by Tel Aviv (at the Y.M.C.A. Jerusalem) and by Abraham Gai and Avner Levy.

THE tip-top premiere of Yosef Tal's first electronic work was introduced by the composer's short but illuminating explanations of this new branch of music or technique, if you like, the characteristics of music concrete and the hitherto widely unexplored possibilities of sound production by oscillators and other devices which remain to be invented.

There was no complete absence of photographs, who usually pester an innocent public as during the performances of Shanta Rao, the University Orchestra and similar occasions. The "tag" presented the "New Look of the Future": instead of an orchestra or instruments, human beings and other accessories, only an austere loudspeaker occupied the centre. It also served as pulpit for the composer who looked like a preacher delivering a sermon on a new creed.

The composition itself employs a male voice (Yehoshua Zohar) and a soprano (Antonia Lavanne) almost always in their normal quality. Most effective use of a second loudspeaker across the Auditorium is occasionally made. The structure of the work is clear, quite conservative and the "score" transparent, as Tal and his technicians tread cautiously on new ground. The *musica* (tones without their natural overtones), enriched by passing through resonators, which add colour and individuality, are of a similar quality as the tones produced by electric organs (without the Hollywood effect), and very often one was reminded of

the musical notes a busy harbour emits in a deep fog (although Yosef Tal begged the audience not to be influenced by similarities with the noises of our everyday world, one cannot help registering them and questioning the advisability of their use in musical compositions).

The composition contains many highly dramatic moments, the four-part fugue, with its rhythmic pattern, is most interesting. After the composer's analysis and a repeat performance of the work, no difficulty in understanding.

There remains the question of its aesthetic value as music of the future. It may well be only an experiment in technical ingenuity which will run its course until its synthesis with the traditional or its rejection by audiences. Meanwhile, Yosef Tal has promised more elaborate electronic works, to which one looks forward with the greatest interest. His patient and efficient collaborators, Avraham Gai and Avner Levy, deserve special praise for their laboratory work of a high order.

Academicians
 The University Orchestra, Naam Shalom, conductor: Hadassah Etzion, cello (Wise Auditorium, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, March 17) Gamaliel; Concerto Grosso in G minor; Concerto for Cello and Orchestra in B-flat; Sibelius: The Swan of Tuonela; Haydn: Symphony in F sharp minor ("Farewell").

FROM this orchestra's second appearance this season, it is difficult to judge whether any improvement has taken place, as the later part of the programme contained works which demanded substantial resort to professional forces. Naam Shalom seemed more re-

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Parliamentary Report

Financial Headaches Rack Ministries

By Lea Ben Dor

MONEY is the root of all evil, declared the Knesset members in union during four days of long tough sessions last week. It was not their love for money that kept them there, but the fact that they were not paid enough to pay policemen a living wage, so that more than 30 per cent resign every year to take up better-paid jobs (costing "millions" in wasted expenditure on training new men, as a member pointed out). Not enough to give social welfare assistance to more than a third of the applicants, and giving even them less than half of the Government's own estimated minimum living costs. It was not enough to pay for a depressing picture. But nobody seriously suggested raising taxes. Quite the contrary. Several deeply agitated hours were spent by Knesset members of all political shades criticising the new import regulations that are estimated to produce an extra IL10m. but, according to the Manufacturers Association, will result merely in paralyzing industry.

The Radio Journal, whose fate is to be decided by the Cabinet today, was a popular talking horse. From Dr. Shohet to Mrs. Peretz, everybody was in the happy position of being able to question the Government's a spare IL400,000 a year with which to plug some hole.

Police Best
 Of the three ministries under discussion, the Police got off best. Apart from the debate on the ministry itself, there were also motions for the agenda in connection with police intervention in a demonstration outside the Jewish Agency stores in Sarafand recently, but it was plain enough that the police, who were obeying orders, but at the officials' responsible for calling them in. Mr. Behor Shitrit, the Minister, who has held this position since the establishment of the State, and the only minister able to claim this distinction, is one of the most outspoken and plain-spoken of our public figures, and what he has to say has the unmistakable flavour of his native Tiberias.

The Jewish Agency had wanted to move two of its 11 fork-lifts to some other depot. The workers employed there feared for their jobs and got together to prevent the Agency from doing as it wished with its own property. The Police were summoned and removed persons interfering with the legal activities of the Agency representatives. It was not true that anybody was beaten. Medical reports showed that one demonstrator had a bruise. Two others, curiously enough, turned out to have been epileptic. What were the Police to do? Wait till a rough-house had broken out between the workers and the Agency people? That was much worse. In any case, observed Mr. Shitrit with more perception than some of his critics, this was not a labour dispute in the accepted sense of a struggle over

fair working conditions. The dispute concerned the claims of the crews of these two fork-lifts to be transferred with the machines, rather than allow some men to be taken on in Nahariya, where they were needed.

A Mapai member asked that the matter be discussed in Committee. His motion suggested that the action of the Jewish Agency rather than the question of "police brutality" as it was named by others, should be the subject, but he was not allowed to get away with that.

Although the Communists always claim rough treatment of Arabs, nobody in the Knesset really believes that our Police use excessive force. Mr. A. Lorincz, of Poalei Aguda, rose to make a plea for several Natorei Kartas members who have been held in detention since the last demonstration against a mixed-bathing pool for Jerusalem, and made a curious but appealing point. Certainly, the demonstration had been illegal. But people can be detained only if they are required for questioning and there is reason to suppose that they will not report when they are wanted. But everybody knew what the Natorei Kartas thought. Who needed to question them? They proclaimed their views from the house-tops. Then why detain them?

The question will go to Committee. Rightly or wrongly, many people feel that the Police should not be used against workers—or perhaps any demonstrators unless there is reason to suppose that they will not report when they are wanted. But everybody knew what the Natorei Kartas thought. Who needed to question them? They proclaimed their views from the house-tops. Then why detain them?

Mr. Lorincz admitted that he did not have a solution to offer to the bathing pool problem. He thought that the old-timers of Jerusalem should get together and give due consideration to the fair name of the city.

Little for Many
 Mr. S. Rosenberg, the Deputy Minister for Social Welfare, dismissed his critics by saying that he was the first to know that the budget was inadequate. If he operates on the principle of giving many people a little help rather than enough help to a few, he is not to be blamed. He was able to tell the Knesset that over 80 per cent of young people sent to reformatory schools were found, 18 months after release, to have made their way successfully into steady employment or the Army, while before the opening of these institutions 10 per cent of young delinquents tangled with the law again later. But of course the cost to the State of one errant boy in such an institution would feed four or five destitute old people.

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